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BOOK REVIEWS

Critical Care Nursing of the Elderly, 2nd Edition

Terry T. Fulmer, Marquis D. Foreman, Mary Walker, Kristen S. Montgomery, Editors

2001, Springer Publishing, hardcover, 430 pages, $53.95

Upper Motor Neurone Syndrome and Spasticity: Clinical Management and Neurophysiology

Michael P. Barnes and Garth R. Johnson, Editors

2001, Cambridge University Press, paperback, 317 pages, $49.95

Parkinson's Disease and Parkinsonism in the Elderly

Jolyon Meara and William C. Koller, Editors

2000, Cambridge University Press, paperback, 251 pages, $49.95

Gerontological Rehabilitation Nursing

Kristen L. Easton

1999, WB Saunders, hardcover, 385 pages, $67

The US population is aging rapidly, and as a result, a larger number of older adults will be admitted to the critical care setting. Because of this shift, the care of the older adult is a timely subject for all nurses working in this practice setting. Elders present to the critical care unit with similar problems as in their younger counterparts, but their response to a critical illness may be much different as a result of changes associated with the normal aging process.

In *Critical Care Nursing of the Elderly, 2nd Edition*, the editors present current research regarding issues of the older adult and the critical care setting. The book is divided into four sections: basic clinical issues with elderly populations, nursing assessment and management, specialized practice in critical care nursing, and social and policy issues. Throughout the text, current information is presented regarding assessment and collaborative interventions. Family issues are discussed thoroughly. Each chapter contains charts that clarify the information presented. Relevant issues specific to this population group, such as end-of-life care, ethnicity, and spirituality, are presented as well. All chapter references contain current and appropriate citations.

The text is clearly written and pertinent to the care of the older adult. This book could serve as a reference for experienced nurses working within the critical care setting and also can be incorporated into the curriculum for advanced practitioner students with specializations in gerontology and acute and critical care. The text also may be used as an undergraduate resource work.

The care of clients (adult or child) with neurologic conditions requires skilled care, both in the acute and chronic stages of the disease or injury. In *Upper Motor Neurone Syndrome and Spasticity*, the editors provide a detailed review of the problem in both adult and pediatric populations. A multidisciplinary approach is recommended when caring for clients with spasticity resulting from an injury or disease affecting upper motor neuron function. Several modes are presented, including orthotics, pharmacologic, and surgical. Diagrams, charts, and photographs illustrate and clarify these modes for the reader.

The authors include references from early 20th century works and current research articles. An entire chapter focuses on the use of botulinum toxin in the adult population; another chapter is devoted to the care of children. This text would be appropriate in the undergraduate programs of physical and occupational therapies. It also could serve as a reference for experienced nurses in the rehabilitation setting. The text also can be used as a reference for advanced practice students who will be working with adults in rehabilitation, but it may be too advanced for the undergraduate nursing student.

Parkinson's disease (PD) is a chronic and progressive illness commonly seen in older adults. As the population ages, nurses will be caring for more clients with PD in a variety of settings. An up-to-date resource is needed to provide skilled and compassionate care. In *Parkinson's Disease and Parkinsonism in the Elderly*, the authors begin with the difference between PD and the development of parkinsonism. Differential diagnoses are presented regarding other common neurologic problems seen in this population, such as Alzheimer disease and stroke. Specific symptoms, such as tremor and gait disorders, are presented in separate chapters.

Chapters are devoted to rehabilitation, drug therapy, and the socioeconomic issues involved in the care of clients with PD. The drug therapy discussed includes both past and current medication regimens. The medication information derives from within and outside the United States. A chapter titled "Rehabilitation, Nursing and Elderly Patients with Parkinson's Disease," addresses the role of nursing in holistic care.

The text presents a thorough review of the pathophysiology of PD. References are made throughout to past and ongoing research. Charts and diagrams both highlight and clarify the information presented. Citations at the end

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